

MR. STUBBS IN OPPOSITION

Gloucester Member the Leading Speaker in the Debate on the Oyster Bill.

OTHER OPPONENTS SPOKE

Messrs. Lambeth and Gunn State Their Objections to the Jordan Bill Briefly.

In the General Assembly yesterday the Senate sat for an hour and a half and read and advanced a number of uncontested bills, and passed two or three to which there was no opposition. The Anderson Capitol bill and the Keesell school book joint resolution were passed by, as were the other important bills on the calendar.

The House devoted the entire session of more than two hours to debate on the bill proposing a resurvey of the oyster grounds and the lease of the barren and depleted area therein. Messrs. Lambeth and Gunn, of Norfolk, made brief speeches, aligning themselves against the measure under debate. Then Mr. Stubbs, the veteran champion of Tidewater and old-time antagonist of legislation objectionable to the oystermen, took the floor and consumed the remainder of the session in a characteristic speech against the bill. He spoke with his usual vehemence and in an entertaining manner. Mr. Jordan agreed to strike out provisions of the bill to which Mr. Stubbs objected on condition that the latter would vote for the bill, and the patron of the measure challenged the gentleman from Gloucester, but the latter evaded the issue. He likewise declined to agree to anything but the utter defeat of the bill in any form.

The Senate.

The session of the Senate was devoted to the routine work of reading and passing or advancing uncontested and unimportant bills, the attendance being too small to attempt anything else. Little was done.

President Pro Tempore Wickham called the Senate to order at the usual hour yesterday, with barely a quorum of senators present. It was difficult at first to secure the requisite twenty-one votes to pass bills on the calendar, though at the maximum there were twenty-three present.

For the first time in several days the session was opened with prayer. Rev. W. T. Derieux presided over the invocation. With the attendance so small there was no prospect of action on important bills, and all such went over until Monday or Tuesday.

The committees reported two bills, which were read a first time and ordered printed.

The House bills relating to Code revision were taken up and passed, there being no opposition to either.

The Keesell joint resolution in relation to lists of text-books for the public schools was passed by and made a special order for Tuesday.

The Capitol bill was passed by without specific reference to it. It is understood the measure will come up in its passage Tuesday, at which time it is expected there will be a full attendance of senators.

The House bill to impose a license tax

on gypsies was also passed by until this week.

The Senate bill in relation to peremptory challenge of jurors in civil cases was passed and now goes to the House.

The House bill to repeal certain sections of the Code of Virginia, relative to works of internal improvement, was taken up and passed. It now goes to the Governor.

The Senate bill in relation to salaries of the members and employees of the Corporation Commission was taken up and read. Mr. Wickham explained the provisions of the bill. It proposes to increase the salary of the president of this commission by \$200 per annum, placing him on the same plane as the president of the Supreme Court of Appeals. The salary of the chief clerk is to be increased \$500 per annum, and that of the bailiff \$300 per annum, a total increase of \$1,800 per annum.

A number of House bills on the calendar were read a first time.

Mr. St. Clair was granted indefinite leave of absence, on motion of Mr. Shackelford.

There was no debate at any stage of the session, merely a routine of reading bills and explaining briefly their provisions. The Senate at 1:30 adjourned until noon to-morrow.

INTRODUCED AND REFERRED.

These bills were offered and referred to the proper committees.

By Mr. Gunn: To allow William H. Long to erect an oyster shucking house on his oyster ground at the head of Polly Creek, in Accomac county.

By Mr. Gunn: To amend section 2402 of the Code of 1887 in relation to how and when warrants may be issued and given, and in relation to how a justice may associate justices with him, and whose opinion to prevail.

By Mr. Chapman: To amend section 2207 of the Code in relation to what orders the court may make pending the suit, allowance for the maintenance of the woman in suits for divorce.

By Mr. Revercomb: To amend the act of March 28, 1902, in relation to reinstatement of a cause after final decree for the purpose of executing an unexecuted order of sale.

The House.

With the waning of the week the attendance of members had grown smaller on the House side when Speaker Ryan called the body to order at noon yesterday. Many had gone home to spend Sunday with their families, for they knew no matter of sweeping public motion would be disposed pending the final vote on the oyster bill on Tuesday.

The opening prayer was offered by Rev. C. S. Gardner, of Grace Street Baptist Church, and a number of bills were reported from committees.

The Jordan oyster bill was the first business reached upon the calendar, and Mr. Lambeth, of Norfolk city, stated his position in a most conservative and concise manner. He declared that he favored the breaking of the Bayley sword, but strenuous objection to the present bill, and declared he could never give it his support. His objections, briefly stated, were that the bill providing for the resurvey should not undertake to define what is natural oyster rock; that the proposed commission should be taken from outside the Legislature, and that provision should be made for the right of appeal from the decision of the committee.

Mr. Lambeth contended for all these points in a most intelligent manner, and when he had concluded his remarks he was loudly cheered by his colleagues.

Mr. Gunn spoke briefly in support of the position of his colleague from Norfolk, and he, too, was cheered.

SPEECH OF MR. STUBBS.

Mr. Stubbs arose to make his argument against the bill, and he was vigorous and eloquent in his effort. He declared that he was ready to accept the gauntlet thrown down by Mr. Jordan, to take the matter before the people of Virginia for final arbitrament, and for his own part the slogan was:

"Lay on, McBuff, and damned be he who first cries 'Hold! Enough!'"

He declared that all Tidewater was today appealing to the Legislature of Virginia not to place this iniquitous measure upon their statute books, which would take from them their inherent rights and drive them to the very door of poverty. He had no personal attack to make upon any member from Frederick, but the gentleman had slandered the people of Tidewater and had intimated that justice could not be secured in their courts.

He resented this, and paid a glowing tribute to those who had worn the emerald in Tidewater for all time. Mr. Stubbs contended that all the legislation looking to taxing the oyster industry had been written in the laws by the people of Tidewater.

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PAYS HER PROPORTION.

The speaker, in answer to questions by Mr. Catton, went on to contend that Tidewater paid her proportionate share of taxes into the treasury, though he declared that it was impossible to get the value upon the oyster beds of the State.

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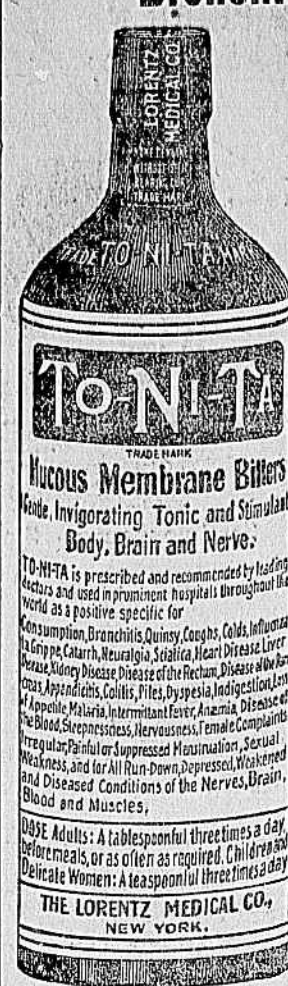
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TO-NI-TA is the most marvelous discovery of the age. It is a scientific combination of the vital principles of the most powerful healing herbs known to medicine.

TO-NI-TA is guaranteed free from opium, morphine, or any other dangerous drugs so often found in so-called catarrh and asthma cures.

If you have catarrh of the head, bronchial tubes, stomach, bowels, kidneys, liver, bladder, or female organs, TO-NI-TA will relieve you as soon as you start to take it, and will cure you permanently.

No matter how much you are weakened or run down in body, brain or muscles, TO-NI-TA will bring back your health and strength and keep you well.

TO-NI-TA acts directly on the mucous membrane. It kills the disease germs and restores the tissues to a normal, healthy condition. It purifies and stimulates the blood and causes it to course through the system, regulates the bowels, quiets the nerves, and puts new life and vigor into every part of the human body.

Leading Doctors Praise Dr. Lorentz and His Great Medicine, TO-NI-TA.

DR. WESLEY SHERIN, of Chicago, says: "I have had pronounced success with TO-NI-TA in cases of catarrh of the head, throat and stomach."

"I have used TO-NI-TA in several cases of consumption with great success. I recommend and prescribe it exclusively in all cases where the mucous membrane seems to be affected or where the system is run down and in a weakened condition."

You have discovered just what we have been anxious for. It not only heals the mucous membrane, but stimulates the blood, regulates the bowels, quiets the nerves, tones up the system, and keeps the entire body in a normal, healthy condition during the drug habit, which is worse than catarrh."

DR. L. JARVIS, of Washington, D. C., writes: "TO-NI-TA is the first catarrh remedy that has come under my notice that I know to be absolutely free from opium and dangerous drugs. You know as well as I that the great danger with so-called catarrh and asthma cures is that they contain opium, and while they may relieve temporarily and quickly, there is great danger of the patient contracting the drug habit, which is worse than catarrh."

"I prescribe TO-NI-TA freely and have noticed that it not only cures catarrh of the head, throat, stomach, bowels, kidneys, bladder and female organs, but it renovates, cleanses and tones up the system."

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BEWARE OF SUBSTITUTES AND IMITATIONS.

Our attention has been called to a few cases where unreliable dealers have tried to sell some cheap, inferior substitute for "just as good as" TO-NI-TA. At our office of the Lorentz Medical Co., we fully and in confidence to our doctors as no letter is used without permission, and every letter is returned if desired.

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THORPE WAS PLACED UNDER HEAVY BONDS

Being Unable to Furnish Them, He Went to Jail—Feels That Friends Will Aid Him.

Justice Crutchfield, in the Police Court yesterday, put J. Townsend Thorpe under \$300 bonds for twelve months as a suspicious character. Being unable to give the bond, the prisoner went to jail.

Thorpe was arrested on Friday, as mentioned in yesterday's paper, on a warrant charging him with trespassing and threatening to kill Mrs. Anita Lloyd, a music teacher of No. 56 East George Street. The testimony tended to show that Thorpe had cursed the lady and had threatened her, and that he had secured a sum of money from her and had endeavored to get more.

Mrs. Lloyd stated that Thorpe had left his wife in England, and went on to her home in Virginia, and on this had secured large sums of money. It was also, said by her that another woman in New York, with whose affection he had tampered, was anxious to have him back.

The charge of "kidnapping" a board bill at the Powhatan Hotel will be heard against him next Thursday, and the detectives who made the arrest, Gibson and Wren, intimate that other charges will be preferred against him in a few days.

Thorpe represented himself here as a reporter for the Scientific American. Inquiry showed that he was not known by the editor of that paper. He had, also, been charged with the assistance of prominent citizens here and in Norfolk. So far as can be learned, he did not succeed in getting any one here financially interested in the scheme.

He had engrafted himself in the good will of members of the Howard Hall Company here and in Norfolk, and was arrested before he succeeded in getting any financial aid from them.

Thorpe contends that he is guilty of no crime, and feels that friends will come to his assistance and relieve him of his embarrassing situation.

WORK OF AUXILIARY.

Mrs. Randolph Gives Interesting Review of It.

Mrs. Randolph, in her report of auxiliary work, says in substance: At this time, when the citizens of Richmond are striving to relieve the necessities of the poor, it seems proper to mention the work done by Leo Camp Auxiliary, which is little known and not properly estimated.

To Leo Camp primarily is due the existence of the Soldiers' Home, where 230 men are comfortably cared for. The work of the camp, ceasing with the war, has for fourteen years been extended through its auxiliary, to give aid to the widows and orphans of deceased comrades and Confederate soldiers.

The money is furnished each month to the treasurer of the auxiliary, the first it was sufficient, and no Confederate woman who applied was refused assistance.

But needs have increased and funds have diminished and the auxiliary, with regret, feels that the time has arrived when the funds can be applied only for the families of the members of Leo Camp who have answered the last roll call.

The work of the auxiliary is unceasing and goes on during winter and summer. In December last \$183.36 was expended in coal and provisions, sixty baskets being sent out. During the summer, however, the auxiliary was enabled to distribute ice tickets.

The class towards whom the efforts of

THEY WANT A RAILROAD

Governor Aycock Refuses to Rent Out the Atlantic and North Carolina.

CANES WITH CAVITIES IN THEM

Walking Sticks Used in North Carolina as Whiskey Bottles. Many Being Sold.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

RALEIGH, N. C., Feb. 13.—Governor Aycock says the proposition to now has for the lease of the Atlantic and North Carolina Railroad is by odds the best he has received for the property, but he gives no intimation of any likelihood of his changing his determination, announced some weeks ago, not to lease the road under any consideration. The proposition pending is from Captain V. E. McEee, J. W. Edwards and others. The particulars of the proposition are not made public.

The superintendent of public instruction issues warrants for the establishment of 17 new rural school libraries. There are one each for Alexander, Martin, Pasquotank, Johnston, Durham, Currituck, Brunswick, Beaufort and six for Alleghany. Then there are two supplementary libraries for Alleghany and one for Dare. Pitt gets three new libraries.

The remains of Major William B. Gullick were brought here today from Columbia, S. C., for interment. The deceased was for years a resident of Raleigh. He was cashier of the first national bank ever organized in Raleigh, and was appointed by Governor Vance commissary of North Carolina State troops during the war. He edited a Democratic paper in Washington, N. C., before the war.

News has been received here of the horrible burning to death of Miss Helen Blake, who lived alone on her farm seven miles from Raleigh, yesterday. She was heard screaming, and when neighbors reached the house, her body was found on the floor horribly burned, so badly, indeed, that some of the bones protruded through the charred flesh. It is thought that her clothing caught from the open fireplace.

CANE LIQUOR.

A traveling salesman said yesterday that he finds the walking canes having cavities inside for carrying intoxicants are being sold in several towns of the State. He said he saw more of them in Charlotte than in any other place.

The remains of Mr. J. S. Price, of Eastern, were brought here for interment this morning, he having married a daughter of Captain B. P. Williamson, treasurer of Wake county. He had been in ill health for several months, and died yesterday morning. He was about 60 years of age.

Charters have been issued for the Smith-Phillips Lumber Company, of Winston-Salem, capital \$15,000, and the Haywood County Stock Improvement Company, of Waynesville, capital \$10,000. The plan of the latter company is the raising of thoroughbred horses and cattle. K. L. Allen is one of the principal incorporators.

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will be ready on and after Tuesday, February 16th, to serve our patrons with our general stock.

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Salesman.

SINGULAR SITUATION

IN PRINCESS ANNE

New Sheriff Did Not Qualify Before Circuit Judge and Office May Be Vacant.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
NORFOLK, VA., Feb. 13.—The long-expected question, "When will the new Sheriff of Princess Anne county, as to whether or not the latter county has a sheriff?"

Judge Aikins, who was appointed to fill Judge White's unexpired term and grant jury, appointed his brother to succeed the late Sheriff Howard. The new sheriff qualified before the County Court instead of before the judge, however, Judge Aikins, who holds Princess Anne's only tribunal, has decided that, having failed to qualify before the judge, the new sheriff cannot be sworn in by him. This leaves the office unsworn, and the county doesn't know whether it has a sheriff or not.

TO GIVE SILVER TEA.

The Richmond High No. 3, of the Ladies of the Maccabees, will give a silver tea at Murphy's Annex Hall on Tuesday night, at 8 o'clock. The program will consist of music, recitations and other interesting features, after which those desiring may indulge in refreshments and dancing.

A SAN FRANCISCO PHYSICIAN

Uses Herpelde Successfully in Treating Syphilis of the Beard.

He says: "I recently treated a case of syphilis (similar to 'barber's itch') of the lower lip with Newbro's Herpelde. There was an extensive loss of beard with inflammation extending well down on the chin. The result of the application of Herpelde was most gratifying. The loss of beard ceased and a new growth of hair of now taking place over the once inflamed area."

(Signed.)
"MELVILLE P. O'NEILL, M. D., 1240 Broadway, N. Y."

Between Two Foes.

Benefit Performance for Blues at Academy To-morrow Night.

"Between Two Foes" will be given at the Academy to-morrow night for the benefit of the Blues, and a large audience is assured.

The performers have been trained by Professor Daniels, and will give a variety of acts, including a musical comedy, a play, and a variety of other interesting features. The proceeds of the performance will be given to the Blues, and a large audience is assured.

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